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1. DURING A MEETING WITH THE SCICOUNS MAY 17, MRS. OBUCHOWICZ AND DR. KLIMKIEWICZ (REPRESENTING THE FOREIGN RELATIONS DEPARTMENTS OF PAN AND THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION RESPECTIVELY) PROPOSED THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK'S VISIT OF DR. ATKINSON AND THE NSF DELEGATION:
MONDAY, MAY 22 - 1:40 P.M. - DRS. ATKINSON, HANDLER AND AVERCH WILL BE GREETED ON ARRIVAL AT THE AIRPORT VIP LOUNGE BY SCIENCE MINISTER KALISKI OR HIS DEPUTY, ANDRZEJ TROUTMAN (ONE OF THE PAN VICE-PRESIDENTS) AND DR. SMAK, REPRESENTING THE CAC. FYI: OTHER PAN DIGNITARIES WILL NOT BE THERE BECAUSE OF UNRELATED SPECIAL MEETINGS AT PAN INVOLVING HIGH-LEVEL OFFICERS AT THAT HOUR. AT DR. ATKINSON'S REQUEST, NO OTHER ENGAGEMENTS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED BY THE POLES THAT DAY, BUT A CALL ON THE AMBASSADOR IS SCHEDULED FOR 4:45 P.M. END FYI.
TUESDAY, MAY 23 - 8:30 A.M. - PAN SCIENTIFIC SECRETARY KACZMAREK WISHES TO MEET DRS. ATKINSON, AVERCH, AND HANDLER AT THE HOTEL VICTORIA FOR ABOUT A 45-MINUTE CHAT. FYI: IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF, SCICOUNS HAS EMPHASIZED THAT DR. ATKINSON WOULD NOT WISH TO DISCUSS THE QUESTION OF THE UTILIZATION OF THE CAC, ALTHOUGH HE

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PROBABLY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN HEARING ABOUT PAN'S GENERAL PLANS FOR FUTURE EXPANSION OF POLISH RESEARCH FACILITIES. WE CANNOT GUARANTEE, HOWEVER, THAT KACZMAREK WILL NOT SEEK TO EXPAND ON HIS RECENT LETTER TO DR. ATKINSON. END FYI.
9:15 A.M. - DR. ATKINSON AND OTHER NSF DELEGATES WOULD BE TAKEN TO THE SCIENCE MINISTRY FOR A MEETING WITH MINISTER KALISKI, FOLLOWED BY DISCUSSIONS WITH VICE MINISTER KAZIMIERCZUK AND OTHER

MINISTRY OFFICIALS, WHILE DR. HANDLER VISITS THE PAN INSTITUTE OF EXPERIMENTAL BIOLOGY.

1:00 P.M. - MINISTER KALISKI PLANS TO HOST LUNCH.

3:00 P.M. - COURTESY CALL ON PAN PRESIDENT NOWACKI AT PAN HEAD-QUARTERS AT THE PALACE OF SCIENCE AND CULTURE.

4:00 P.M. - THE SCIENCE MINISTRY SUGGESTS A VISIT TO WARSAW POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, TO MEET THE RECTOR AND SOME LEADING SCIENTISTS CONNECTED WITH NSF PROJECTS.

7:30 P.M. - DINNER AT JABLONNA PALACE, HOSTED BY PAN PRESIDENT NOWACKI.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24 - 9:00 A.M. - CAC OPENING CEREMONY WILL BEGIN, WITH RIBBON-CUTTING, FOLLOWED BY A BRIEF (ABOUT 10 MINUTES EACH) ADDRESSES BY DRS. NOWACKI, ATKINSON, AND HANDLER, AND A TALK BY KACZMAREK ABOUT THE "TASKS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT" OF THE CAC.

10:00 A.M. - TOUR OF THE CAC.

11:00 A.M. - REFRESHMENTS.

12:30 P.M. - FLOWERS TO BE PLACED AT THE COPERNICUS MONUMENT BY DRS. ATKINSON, HANDLER AND PAN REPRESENTATIVE.

1:30 P.M. - LUNCH AT HOTEL VICTORIA.

AFTERNOON FREE, WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF ADDITIONAL TALKS AT THE SCIENCE MINISTRY IF DESIRED. POSSIBILITY OF OPERA IN THE EVENING.

THURSDAY, MAY 25 (POLISH HOLIDAY) - PAN HAS VOLUNTEERED TO HOST A SIGHTSEEING TOUR, LEAVING THE HOTEL AT 9:00 A.M. TRAVELING BY CAR TO LOWICZ FOR CORPUS CHRISTI CEREMONIES, THEN LUNCH AT NIEBOROW. PAN WOULD PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION. EVENING FREE.

FRIDAY, MAY 26 - PAN HAS SUGGESTED A MORNING VISIT TO ITS INS-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TITUTE OF PHYSICS OR INSTITUTE OF FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEMS OF TECHNOLOGY, IF DR. ATKINSON IS INTERESTED.

2:40 P.M. - DRS. ATKINSON AND AVERCH LEAVE WARSAW.

2. AS INSTRUCTED IN REF, SCICOUNS HAS STRESSED BOTH SEPARATELY TO THE PAN AND SCIENCE MINISTRY REPRESENTATIVES, AND JOINTLY DURING THE MAY 17 MEETING, THAT DR. ATKINSON'S VISIT IS ESSENTIALLY IN RESPONSE TO KALISKI'S ORIGINAL INVITATION, AND THEREFORE NSF HAS CONSIDERED THE SCIENCE MINISTRY, NOT PAN, AS THE PRIMARY HOST. COMMENT. THIS POINT HAS NOT BEEN EASY TO GET ACROSS, SINCE PAN HAD ALREADY PREPARED MOST OF THE PROGRAM, AND KALISKI HAD ACCEPTED PAN AS THE PRIMARY HOST (AS NOTED IN WARSAW 3813). WE HAVE SUCCEEDED IN ENCOURAGING SOME CHANGES IN THE INITIAL PAN SCHEDULE RELATING TO THE NSF DELEGATION SO AS TO GIVE MORE TIME AND PROMINENCE TO THE SCIENCE MINISTRY. THE SCHEDULE IS STILL SOMEWHAT WEIGHTED ON THE PAN SIDE, BUT THE MINISTRY SEEMS RELUCTANT TO GO VERY MUCH FURTHER, AT LEAST OPENLY. KALISKI LIKELY DOES NOT WISH TO GIVE PAN ANY GROUNDS TO BELIEVE THAT HE HAS EITHER DELIBERATELY OR INADVERTENTLY UNDERCUT PAN. END COMMENT.

3. REGARDING DR. HOWARD'S ROLE IN DISCUSSING THE UTILIZATION OF THE CAC, PAN HAS INFORMED US THAT A MONDAY MEETING IS PRACTICALLY

IMPOSSIBLE BECAUSE OF OTHER MEETINGS THAT PAN OFFICIALS WILL BE ATTENDING. SINCE WE ARE TRYING TO ARRANGE FOR HOWARD TO VISIT TORUN ON TUESDAY, THE BEST ALTERNATIVE SO FAR WOULD SEEM TO BE A MEETING SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 20. IF THIS DEVELOPS, WE WILL TRY TO ALLOW TIME FOR A FEW HOURS REST BY HOWARD AFTER HIS ARRIVAL THAT MORNING. WE HAD ALSO SUGGESTED THE POSSIBILITY OF A MEETING ON SUNDAY, BUT PAN IS MOST DOUBTFUL THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS CAN BE ASSEMBLED THAT DAY.

4. FOR MONDAY EVENING, SCICOUNS IS PLEASED TO INVITE DR. ATKINSON, DR. HANDLER AND ALL OTHER MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN DELEGATION TO HIS HOME FOR DRINKS AND VERY INFORMAL BUFFET SUPPER. THERE WILL BE NO POLISH GUESTS. PLEASE ADVISE.

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